



The Delta Quintet of Holland provides a morning of music at the Marriott Resort

The brand new ballroom of the Marriott Resort and Stellaris Casino was the perfect venue for a pleasant morning with the Delta Quintet of Holland this past Sunday morning. A combination of Koffie Klatch and chamber music presented by the Aruba Art Circle with the sponsorship of a number of local vendors was well received by music lovers, which included Aruba's Governor, Fredis Refunjol, and his wife.

The Delta quintet Salon Ensemble was established in 1998 by Marjan van Nieuwenhuiszen after participating as congress of musicians organized by Leo Hulshof, joined by cellist Peter van der doing the arrangements. With their performance of music from the 20's, 30's and 40's they received such acclaim they took the initiative to establish a permanent ensemble. The five members that make up the group took the name of the Delta Quintet. Yvonne Mourits is First Violin and Marjan is Second Violin. Peter van der Veer performs on Cello, Besy Mortiers on Tenor Violin, and Edu de Goffau on Piano.

Sunday morning's program was a lovely mix of classic pieces from Haydn and Mozart to jazz from Thomas "Fats" Waller, and romantic melodies such as "Golden Earrings" from Victor Young. Music from French, Latin, Dutch, and German composers graced the program providing lively and varied listening. The ensemble does most of their performances at classical locations such as castles and country homes, and is very popular in Europe for receptions and weddings. They are a fixture in the annual Rotterdam Music Festival "A Day of Romantic Music," and their particularly style of performing has been described as "five musicians who understand each other perfectly in refining and musical expression" by the BN/De Stem newspaper of the Netherlands. Aruba was honored and grateful to receive them on our shores for a delightful morning of beautiful music.